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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear Chair Pai and FCC Commissioners,

I am writing to urge you to retain the 1996 law on use of copper wire infrastructure, to promote innovation, lower prices, better internet service, and better customer service.

Several years ago, I switched my internet and phone service from AT&T to Sonic. I now pay \$52.-- less per month, for vastly superior internet speeds, much better daily internet connections, increased privacy protections, net neutrality, free caller ID, and pleasant personalized service if there are any issues. Whenever I call for assistance with any problem, I am instantly in touch with a live person - not an AT&T abstract, taped voice and endless red tape and endless wasted hours which was frustrating and never addressed the problems I was dealing with & which caused me to switch to Sonic.net). Sonic.net has never disappointed me. They provide a wonderful service.

I cannot image why the FCC would not want business competition to keep this option available to me and to other families and local businesses.

Please retain the 1996 law on use of copper wire infrastructure to protect families and local businesses and continue superior internet service.

With Best Regards,  
CC: Sen. John Thorne, Sen. Bill Nelson

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